MINUTES

OF THE

LONDON CONFERENCE

OF THE

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS,

HELD IN THE

EASTERN LECTURE HALL,

On the Evening of the 29th,

AND IN THE

LINWOOD GALLERY,

LEICESTER SQUARE,

On December the 30th 1855,

WILLIAM H. KIMBALL, PASTOR.
JAMES MARSDEN PRESIDENT.
JAMES BLEAK, SECRETARY.

Meeting of the 29th Opened with singing and prayer by Elder J. D. Ross. After some very instructive remarks by President Marsden, the following Motions were moved and carried unanimously :—

That we uphold Brigham Young as the President, Prophet, Seer, and Revelator to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in all the World, with Heber C. Kimball as his first, and Jedediah M. Grant as his second Counsellor.

That we sustain the Twelve Apostles of the Church, as the Travelling High Council in all the World, and Orson Hyde as their President.

That we uphold John Smith, as the Patriarch of the Church in all the World.

That we uphold the Seven Presidents of the Quorums of Seventies with Joseph Young as their President.

That we uphold all the Quorums of Seventies with their Presidents.

That we uphold George A. Smith, as Church Historian.

That we uphold Edward Hunter, as the Presiding Bishop of the Church in all the World.

That we sustain Franklin D. Richards, as the President of the Church, in the British Isles, also of all the Missions in Europe, Asia and Africa.

That we sustain Daniel Spencer as first, and Cyrus H. Wheelock as second Counseller to President Richards.

That we sustain William H. Kimball as the Pastor of the London, Kent Essex, and Reading Conferences, and that a Testimonial expressive of the faithful straightforward and successful manner in which he has discharged his duties as Pastor of the above named Conferences, be presented to him.

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That President Marsden, Elder W. C. Dunbar, and Elder J, D. Ross, prepare this Testimonial.

That we sustain William C. Dunbar by our faith, prayers, and continued support as the future Pastor of the London, Kent, Essex, and Reading Conferences.

That we sustain James Marsden, as the President of the London Conference.

That we present a Testimonial expressive of our goodwill to President Marsden, and that it be prepared by Elders W. C. Dunbar, J. D. Ross, and J. Bleak.

That we sustain J. D. Ross, by our faith, prayers and means, as the future President of the London Conference .

That Elder J. D. Ross be Treasurer of the Temple and Conference Funds.

That we sustain Elder William Kelsey, as district President of all the branches of the London Conference on the Surrey sid ofe the river Thames.

That we sustain all the Presidents of branches.

That we sustain James Bleak as Secretary of the Conference.

That we sustain each other henceforth and for ever.

That Elder Bailey be released with the thanks of the Conference, from the Presidency of Eltham Branch.

That Elder Payne of Woolwich succeed Elder Bailey.

That St. Leonards Branch be disorganized, and that the saints of that branch join the branches nearest their respective dwellings.

That the branches continue the semi-quarterly collection for the Pastor, and the monthly collection for the President.

That the President's collection be taken up on the first, instead of the second Sunday in the month.

That a collection be taken up in all the branches on the evening of the second Sunday in January, on behalf of the Foreign Missions.

That a subscription be opened to assist President Marsden to emigrate, and that the money be paid on or before the 28th of February.

The Presidents of branches were called upon to represent their respective branches, they reported them to be generally in good standing, and their financial condition highly satisfactory.

After some very instructive remarks by Pastor Kimball, President Marsden, President Spencer, Elder Dunbar, and Elder Ross, the Meeting was closed with prayer by Elder Spencer.

Sunday morning The Meeting was opened in due form. Elder Daniel Spencer after a few appropriate remarks, proposed that we sustain Brigham

Young as the President, Prophet, Seer, Revelator, and Priest of the Most High God in all the World, with Heber C. Kimball, & Jedediah M. Grant as his Counsellors; carried unanimously; when the resolutions passed last evening were again proposed and sanctioned by the Meeting.

Three Meetings were held this day, and were addressed by President Spencer, Pastor Kimball, President Marsden, and Elders W. C. Dunbar, J. D. Ross, Broderick, Squires, Hyde, Kirby, Brown, Flag, Kelsey, and Harrison.

Pastoral Conference held in the Eastern Lecture Hall, Whitechapel, December 31st, 1855, Opened with singing and prayer by Elder Brodrick.

Resolved. That Pastor Kimball preside over the Meeting.

Pastor Kimball opened the Meeting with a few preliminary remarks, and then called on President Marsden to represent the London Conference, who did so as follows:—For all Church purposes about £1500 has been raised during the past year, of which £210 17s 10d., has been paid to the Temple Fund; £80 for the Emigrating Fund, and £72 for Conference Fund; about 50,000 Stars, and other works in proportion, have been sold during the year, there are in the Conference 223 Elders, 110 Priests, 73 Teachers, 59 Deacons, total of Officers and Members 2205, Baptized 376, emigrated 301, cut off 325, died 32, Scattered 248.

President Broderick, represented the Kent Conference as follows:—Number of Priesthood and Saints 594, baptised 108, cut off 116, emigrated 34; Temple fund £60 3s 6½d, emigrating fund £27 4s 4d., Conference fund £30 4s 6¾d., Stars taken by the Conference 11084, Journals 2112, Routes 312, for books £71 12s 4d., for all purposes £559 3s 10d., supported 10 travelling Elders.

President Squires, represented the Essex Conference; Elders 39, Priests 31, Teachers 24, Deacons 15, baptised 125, cut off 58, died 2, emigrated 26, total Members and Priesthood 433. Stars weekly 172, Journals 59, Routes 37; Temple fund £35 0s 0d., emigrating fund £27 15s. 3d. President's fund £24 5s 9½d, President's Family £23 16s 7d., Conference fund £28 3s 4½d., Foreign Missions £1 5s 5d., paid for books £77 2s 10.; Elder Slack's outfit £12; total £259 8s 8d., not including rents. 12 Travelling Elders have been supported, independant of the President's family.

President Hyde reported the Reading Conference as follows:—Branches 15, Elders 60, Priests 20, Teachers 12, Deacons 12, Priesthood and Members 381, cut off 112, died 7, emigrated 42, baptised 61, raised for Temple fund £15, emigrating fund £10 14s. 3d., Conference fund £26 4s 1d., for travelling Elders £50 16s 9d., for Elder Mills' emigration £21 9s 7d., for Elder France's emigration £32 1s 5d., and other monies amounting to about £325.

Resolved, that Hounslow branch be attached to the Reading Conference.

Resolved, that Pastor Kimball's outfit money be paid on or before the 14th of January 1856.

Resolved, that the outfit money for the Presidents of the Conferences comprising the pastorate, be paid on or before February 28th, 1856.

Resolved, that a subscription be taken up by all the pastorate, on the second Sunday in March, and forwarded to Liverpool, for President Spencer's outfit.

Resolved, that all the collections for the outfit of the Pastor and Presidents of Conferences, for Foreign Missions, and for President Spencer's outfit be taken up during the first quarter of the year, and that the Temple fund be all raised during the second quarter.

The Meeting was very profitably addressed by Pastor Kimball, President Spencer, Elders Dunbar and Ross, and concluded with prayer by President Spencer.

WM. H. KIMBALL, PRESIDENT.
JAMES BLEAK, SECRETARY.

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State of Conference Fund,

Income.				Expenditure.			
To donations from Branches	38	3	5½	By balance due to Treasurer	5	7	9
Collections at Conferences ..	7	19	0	,, Paid to various Elders	12	7	0
Profit from Festival	2	18	9	,, Rent of room for Conference	3	0	0
				,, Paid to the porter ..	0	10	0
				,, Rent of room for Festival	1	6	0
				,, Elder D. Spencer ..	2	0	0
				,, Elders board, lodging &c	15	16	6
				,, Stationery, Stamps &c.	0	19	10
				,, Day book	0	4	6
				,, Tracts for travelling Elders	0	5	0
				,, Elder Brand's emigration	3	17	6
				,, Expenses of Conference	2	6	6
				,, Ineidental expenses ..	0	10	0
	£49	1	2½		£48	10	7
					£49	1	2½
				Balance in hand	0	10	7½

JANUARY 14th, 1856.

State of the Book and Star Agency Account.

Dr.

Amount due to Liverpool office	677	14	1½

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By owing by branches ..	£163	4	0½
,, Kent Conference	56	9	2½
,, Essex ,, ..	20	10	2
,, Reading ,, ..	3	6	6½
,, Norwich ,, ..	0	4	2
,, Cambridge ,, ..	0	1	4
,, Bedford ,, ..	0	1	8
,, Elder Armstrong	6	19	8
,, ,, Brand	22	10	0
Stock in hand ..	290	19	1
Owing by London Conference	21	1	11½
Cash in hand	5	8	4
Due by Elder Wm. Maiben for which good Security has been given	86	17	11¼
	£677	14	1½

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No.	Name of Branch	Place of Meeting	President's Name	Address of President
1	Whitechapel ..	Eastern Lecture Hall, Church-lane, Whitechapel ..	James Bleak ..	37, Gloucester-street, Commercial Road East
2	Holborn..	Holborn Hall, 148, Holborn	Wm. Eastop ..	11, Cross Street, Wenlock Road, City Road
3	Paddington.. ..	Bendall's Assembly Rooms, 29 Circus-st., New-road	J. W. Dawson ..	29, College-street, Camden Town
4	Somers Town ..	8, George-street, Hampstead-road	Geo. Teasdale ..	2, Stanhope-street, Hampstead-road
5	Limehouse	8, St. Ann's-place, Limehouse	Wm. Cotterill ..	8, St. Ann's-place, Limehouse
6	Chelsea	1, George-street, Sloane Square	John Lloyd Baker..	14, Lillington-street, Vauxhall-road
7	Walworth	Grammar School, Mnchester-bdg, East lane, Walworth	Saml. Bee ..	Eagle-place, King-street, Old Kent-road
8	Camden Town ..	147, Gt. College-street, Camden Town	G. C. Ferguson ...	147, Gt. College-street, Camden Town
9	Woolwich	15, Thomas-street, Woolwich	Jno. Griffiths ..	52, Warwick-street, Woolwich
10	Goswell Road ..	23, Ratcliffe-terrace, Goswell-road	John West	1, Richards-place, Old-street, St. Lukes
11	Westminister ..	Temperance Hall, Broadway, Westminster	George Aubury ..	84, Webber row, Westminster-road
12	Hammersmith ..	Windsor Castle Academy, Hammersmith . ..	George Rogers ..	3, Stratheden-terrace, Hammersmith
13	Finsbury	Providence Chapel, Cumberland-street, Curtain-road	George Smith ..	6, Richard-street, Limehouse fields
14	Haggerstone	20, Great. Cambridge-street, Hackney-road.. ..	Robert Clifton ..	92, Paul-street, Finsbury
15	Poplar	28, Penny Fields, Poplar	William Shill ..	1, George street, Commercial-road-east
16	Kennington	Lecture Hall, Victory-place, New Church-rd., Cam-	Samuel Priday ..	1, Chisel-street, Camberwell
17	Globe Fields ..	Lecture Hall, 41, Globe-road .. ..[berwell	James Harrisson ..	White Cottage, East-street, Globe-fields, Mile End
18	Bayswater	6, Queen's-road, Bayswater	B. Lang	24, Medburn-street, St. Pancras-road
19	Hackney	L. D. Saints Chapel, Church-street, Hackney-road..	H. Vaughan ...	13, Slater-street, Bethnal-green
20	Lambeth	Surrey Lecture Hall, 13, Blackfriars-road	Wm. Binder ..	7, Plough-yard, Shoreditch
21	St. John's	66, Russel-street, St. John's Bermondsey	H. Simmons ..	2, Little Pauley-st., Little George-st., Bermondsey
22	Holloway	1, Cornwall-place, Holloway-road	T. J. Dawson ..	1, Richard-street, Liverpool-road, Islington
23	Greenwich	8, Royal Hill, Greenwich	James Gillman ..	18, West-street, New Charlton near Woolwich
24	Walworth Common	2, King-street, Old Kent Road	W. Hyatt ..	Claremont Cottage, Smith-st, Comml.-rd, Peckham
25	Islington	Church-lane, Lower Road, Islington	C. D. Juch aw ..	28, Arlington-street, Clerkenwell
26	Deptford	1, Collier-street, Deptford	Nathl. Symons ..	5, Pickle-herring, Tooley-street, Southwark
27	Barking	North-street, Barking	I. Wells	28, Penny-fields, Poplar
28	Welling	Mr. R. Hill's House, Welling	F. J. Graham ..	20, Upper Ann-street, Plumstead
29	Croydon	117, Old Town, Croydon	H, Lashbrooke ..	117, Old Town Croydon
30	Bromley	Westerham Road, Bromley, Kent	James Gallyer ..	Farnborough, near Bromley, Kent
31	Mile End	17, North-street, Sydney-street, Mile End	James Rooke ..	30, Russell-street, Eile End
32	Whetstone	Near Whetstone Gate	H. J. Newman ..	1, Corporation-row, St. John-street-road
33	Edmonton	9, High Path, Lower Edmonton	Thomas Ha[illegible] ..	9, High Path, Lower Edmonton
34	Dartford	1, Water Lane, Dartford	James Pearce ..	10, Hardens Manorway, New Charlton
35	Eltham	Pound Place.	James Paine ..	63, New Road, Woolwich

No.	Branch.	Elders.	Priests.	Teachers.	Deacons.	Members.	Total	Baptized.	Received: From Within Conference.	Received: From other Conferences.	Removed: To Within Conference.	Removed: To other Conferences.	Emigrated	Cut Off.	Died.	Scattered.	Amount donated towards the Temple fund	Amount donated towards the Perpetual Emigration Fund.	Amount donated towards the Conference Fund.	Amount due to the General Book Agent.
1	Whitechapel	7	9	4	3	193	216	20	5	2	17	3	6	11	2	38	£3 7 0	£4 14 3	4 0 0	2 18 11½
2	Holborn	17	8	5	2	115	209	5	10	3	10	8	9	27	1	39	9 0 0	3 7 7½	4 0 0	11 12 0¾
3	Paddington	4	5	2	2	115	128	12	4	5	1	0	1	7	0	50	6 19 4	0 0 0	0 15 10	16 0 7½
4	Somers Town	10	9	3	5	102	129	11	5	0	8	3	1	13	1	8	4 10 0	4 0 0	3 0 0	15 0 0
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8	Camden Town	6	7	3	2	66	84	9	2	3	3	1	3	8	0	11	3 2 6	1 5 2½	0 12 6	4 5 4
9	Woolwich	8	6	1	3	64	82	3	2	0	5	4	3	21	0	6	2 0 0	0 15 0	2 10 0	0 0 0
10	Goswell Road	6	3	6	3	62	80	2	..	6	6	0	5	5	0	11	5 11 6	0 18 0	1 16 0	14 13 8
11	Westminster	10	5	4	2	59	80	11	4	5	11	0	3	5	1	9	6 19 7	0 11 1	0 15 9½	3 5 5
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14	Haggerstone	7	1	3	1	59	71	12	4	3	8	0	14	1	1	7	3 18 10½	1 1 0	2 15 8	3 0 5
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